

# Council Meeting Minutes

August 20, 2018

The regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council of Audubon Park was held on Monday, August 20, 2018 at 3340 Robin Road, with the following present: Mayor Dorn Crawford and Councilors Darrell Shelton, Brittney Gorter, Mike Gardner, Camden Shipley and Andrew Klump. Also present were Chief of Police Mike Minniear, City attorney Chip Hayward and City Clerk Janette Mercer.

## Call to Order

Mayor Crawford called the meeting to order at 7 PM. The Mayor opened the floor for public comments; hearing none, he moved to Legal Affairs.

## Legal Affairs

Mike Gardner asked if golf carts were legal on the streets of Audubon Park. Chief replied no, there are state statutes and procedures that must be followed for golf carts to be operated on the streets.

## Financial Report

The Mayor noted the written financial report and opened the floor for discussion. Darrell Shelton questioned the dollar amounts under property taxes and sanitation funds on the cash flow report for the month of June. He asked if that revenue is 2019 fiscal year. The bookkeeper replied yes. Mr. Shelton suggested dividing the Parks and Recreation accounting line into activity expenses and capital improvements. Andrew Klump questioned the revenue reflected on the Road Fund. There were comments about donations and payments during City events. Darrell Shelton made a motion to accept the financial report. Brittney Gorter seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

## Public Safety

The Mayor noted the written report and opened the floor to Chief Minniear for discussion. The Chief gave a brief bio of nominee Ray Sutherland and asked the Council to confirm his appointment as an Audubon Park officer. Mike Gardner made a motion to confirm Mr. Sutherland. Camden Shipley seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Mayor Crawford executed the Oath of Office. There was discussion about recent Metro action on homeless camps.

## Forest Board

The Mayor noted the written report and opened the floor for discussion. Camden Shipley asked about the purple ribbons on some trees. Gil Zinner answered that the ribbons identify ash trees that are expected to have infestation problems.

## Unfinished Business

Mayor Crawford presented the June 18<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes for approval. Camden Shipley made a motion to approve the minutes. Andrew Klump asked about the job description for Public Works. Mayor Crawford replied that the Chief helped draft a job description and he wanted to review the write-up before presenting to the Council. Darrell Shelton wanted added to the minutes that the Mayor agreed to provide a job description or task list. The Mayor asked for a motion to approve the minutes with the one addition. Brittney Gorter made a motion to approve the minutes with the one addition. Darrell Shelton seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

**New Business**

Mayor Crawford discussed the newsletter and including the information submitted by the candidates for the upcoming elections for Mayor and City Council.

**Mayor's Report**

The Mayor discussed the bids for repaving the roads. He also discussed a town hall meeting to have review and dialogue about the City's legal affairs, and a separate town hall meeting to introduce the candidates for the City elections. Mayor Crawford insured everyone that he is still working on the recodification of the ordinances. Darrell Shelton asked about the city allocating some money to Public Administration to train the new Councilors and new Mayor. There were remarks about options and expenses for entrance lighting.

**Closing Public Comments**

Tony Williams, 3220 Eagle Pass - Mr. Williams commented on the road repaving project, noting that a sealed bid process is not required for state approved contractors. The Mayor replied that he conducted a competitive bid process anyway, as a matter of due diligence. Mr. Williams also offered to assist the City to investigate the use of solar panels and LED lights for the entrance lighting, because solar panels and LED lights have come a long way in last couple of years.

Laura Kelty, 3242 Cross Bill - Ms. Kelty is opposed to spending a lot of money on entrance lighting.

Brittney Gorter made a motion to adjourn. Andrew Klump seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.

The next scheduled meeting will be September 17, 2018 at 7:00 PM.



Attested



Approved